

COUNTY COUNCIL
OF
HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

BILL NO. 91-14 As Amended

Introduced by Council President Wilson at the request
of the County Executive

Legislative Day No. 91-7 Date March 5, 1991

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments subsections 105-1A, 105-19C of Chapter 105, Electricity; to add new subsections ~~105-17C,~~ 105-19D, 105-25H, 105-36C, 105-48A, 105-48B, 105-48C and 105-49A, 105-49B, 105-49C and 105-49D to Chapter 105, Electricity, of the Harford County Code, as amended; to clarify the applicability of the electrical code; ~~to designate the chief inspector as board member in certain circumstances;~~ and to provide for standards for electrical inspections, for issuance of stop work orders, and generally dealing with licensed master electricians.

By the Council, March 5, 1991

Introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled
on: April 2, 1991
at: 6:30 P.M.

By Order: Doris Poulsen, Secretary

PUBLIC HEARING

Having been posted and notice of time and place of hearing and title of Bill having been published according to the Charter, a public hearing was held on April 2, 1991, and concluded on, April 2, 1991

Doris Poulsen, Secretary

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law. Underlining indicates language added to Bill by amendment. Language lined through indicates matter stricken out of Bill by amendment.

1 Section 1. Be It Enacted By The County Council Of Harford County,
2 Maryland, that subsections 105-1A and 105-19C of Chapter 105,
3 Electricity, be and hereby are repealed and re-enacted, with
4 amendments, and new subsections ~~105-17C~~, 105-19D, 105-25H, 105-
5 36C, 105-48A, 105-48B, 105-48C, 105-49A, 105-49B, 105-49C, and 105-
6 49D of Chapter 105, Electricity, be and hereby are added to Chapter
7 105, Electricity, of the Harford County Code, as amended, all to
8 read as follows:

9 Section 105-1. Scope; applicability.

10 A. Except as otherwise provided, the provisions of this
11 chapter shall apply to all electrical equipment and the
12 installation OR RELOCATION thereof in the county for light, heat
13 or power within or on public or private buildings, structures or
14 premises, including yards, carnivals and parking lots and
15 industrial substations, and all electrical equipment and those
16 other items, equipment and installations covered by the duly
17 adopted edition of the National Electrical Code.

18 Section 105-17. Meetings; quorum.

19 ~~C. THE CHIEF ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR SHALL BE ALLOWED TO ACT~~
20 ~~AS A BOARD MEMBER IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THE REQUIRED NUMBER TO MAKE~~
21 ~~A QUORUM.~~

22 Section 105-19. Applicability of Article.

23 C. [Any] ALL electrical installations in the county shall
24 be accomplished [under the supervision of at least one (1) master
25 or journeyman electrician] BY A LICENSED MASTER ELECTRICIAN OR
26 THOSE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE MASTERS MASTER'S SUPERVISION, except as
27 provided in Subsection A above.

1 D. ANY MASTER OR LIMITED LICENSE HOLDER, AS LISTED IN THIS
2 CHAPTER, SHALL NOT REPRESENT MORE THAN ONE BUSINESS, COMPANY OR
3 CORPORATION SUPPLYING ELECTRICAL SERVICES, OF ALL TYPES, AT THE
4 SAME TIME.

5 Section 105-25. Examinations.

6 H. QUESTIONS USED IN THE EXAMINATION FOR A MASTER LICENSE
7 SHALL BE TAKEN FROM THE PREPARED TEXT FORMULATED BY THE MARYLAND
8 UNIFORM ELECTRICAL LICENSING COMMITTEE INC.

9 Section 105-36. Application for permit.

10 C. THE DIRECTOR MAY WITHHOLD THE ISSUANCE OF AN ELECTRICAL
11 PERMIT IF THE APPLICANT HAS FAILED TO REMEDY OR CORRECT ANY
12 VIOLATIONS OF THE ELECTRICAL CODE ON ANY PREVIOUS PERMITS WITHIN
13 NINETY (90) CALENDAR DAYS FROM THE TIME FOR WHICH THE APPLICANT HAS
14 BEEN CITED BY THE DIVISION OF ELECTRICAL SERVICES.

15 SECTION 105-48. ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR.

16 A. CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

17 AN INDIVIDUAL SHALL NOT HAVE AN INTEREST, FINANCIAL OR
18 OTHER, IN AN ELECTRICAL BUSINESS WHILE EMPLOYED BY THE STATE, A
19 COUNTY, OR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT AS AN ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR.

20 B. INACTIVE STATUS; IDENTIFICATION CARD

21 (1) ON APPOINTMENT OR EMPLOYMENT AS AN ELECTRICAL
22 INSPECTOR, THE INDIVIDUAL:

23 (A) SHALL PLACE THE HARFORD COUNTY LICENSE OF THE
24 INDIVIDUAL ON AN INACTIVE-INSPECTOR STATUS; AND

25 (B) EXCEPT FOR THE RENEWAL FEE SHALL MEET THE
26 INACTIVE STATUS REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 105-29 OR THIS SECTION.

(2) THE BOARD SHALL ISSUE AN ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR IDENTIFICATION CARD TO AN ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR WHO HAS PLACED THE LICENSE ON INACTIVE STATUS.

(3) THE BOARD SHALL NOT CHARGE A FEE TO ISSUE THE IDENTIFICATION CARD.

C. CHANGE IN STATUS

(1) THE BOARD SHALL CHANGE THE STATUS OF AN ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR TO AN INDIVIDUAL INACTIVE STATUS IF THE ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR MEETS THE REQUIREMENT OF 105-29 OF THIS ~~SECTION~~ CHAPTER.

(2) THE BOARD SHALL CHANGE THE STATUS OF AN ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR TO AN INDIVIDUAL ACTIVE STATUS:

(A) UPON SUPPLYING TO THE BOARD, AN APPLICATION FOR ACTIVE STATUS.

(B) CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE ACCORDING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 105-20B(4).

(C) VERIFICATION THAT THE INDIVIDUAL IS NO LONGER AN ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR.

(D) THE APPLICABLE LICENSE FEE.

(E) THE RESTORATION FEE.

SECTION 105-49. STOP WORK ORDER

A. A STOP WORK ORDER MAY BE PLACED AT A LOCATION AT THE DIRECTION OF THE CHIEF ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR DUE TO VIOLATIONS OF ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER.

B. A NOTICE SHALL BE DELIVERED TO THE OWNER AND THE VIOLATOR WITH A COPY OF THE CODE SECTION THAT IS VIOLATED.

1 C. IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR ANY WORK TO CONTINUE UNDER THE
2 STOP WORK ORDER EXCEPT WHEN A SPECIFIC VIOLATOR OR TRADE IS LISTED
3 AS THE ONLY ONE AFFECTED.

4 D. REMOVAL OF THE STOP WORK ~~PLAQARD~~ PLACARD BY SOMEONE OTHER
5 THAN THOSE AUTHORIZED BY THE DIVISION OF ELECTRICAL SERVICES WILL
6 BE CONSIDERED A VIOLATION.

7 EFFECTIVE: July 12, 1991

BY THE COUNCIL

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Read the third time.

Passed: LSD 91-13 (May 7, 1991)

Failed of Passage: _____

By Order

Doris Poulsen, Secretary

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive
for her approval this 8th day of May, 1991
at 3:00 o'clock P.M.

Doris Poulsen, Secretary

BY THE EXECUTIVE

Eileen M. Behrman
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

APPROVED:

Date May 13, 1991

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, (No. 91-14 As Amended), having been approved by the
Executive and returned to the Council, becomes law on May 13, 1991.

Doris Poulsen, Secretary

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 12, 1991